

REMARKS

Restriction/Election

The Office Action restricted the present application to the following groups:

- I. Claims 24-39 and 44-48; and
- II. Claims 37-43;

Applicant conducted a telephone interview with the Examiner in which the restriction was clarified. Specifically, the restriction is directed to the following:

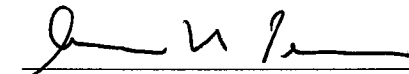
- I. Claims 24-36 and 44-48; and
- II. Claims 37-43;

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group I (claims 24-36 and 44-48).

Conclusion

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorneys for the Applicant via telephone if such communication would expedite this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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